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2004 Terrorism Informational Session Will Highlight Public Health and Medical Response

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health will host the *2004 Terrorism Informational Session* May 17, 2004, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Seven Seas Inn & Conference Center, Mandan, N.D. Designed to build awareness about the threat of terrorism, the session will highlight changes that have taken place since September 11 and how North Dakota is preparing public health and medical response to potential terrorism events. The event is free of charge and open to the public.

Featured speakers and topics include:

- Steve Hightower, Weapons of Mass Destruction/Incident Management Training Program supervisor, Texas A & M University. Hightower will give a presentation entitled “Thinking Like a Terrorist ... Terrorism Since 9/11.” This session is intended to examine terrorism from a decidedly unique perspective – through the terrorists’ eyes, and also includes a discussion of how terrorism, and our response to it, has changed since the events of 9/11.
- Tim Wiedrich, section chief, Emergency Preparedness & Response, North Dakota Department of Health. Wiedrich’s presentation is entitled “Bioterrorism: Why does North Dakota need to be prepared?” The session will take a close look at what North Dakota is doing from a public health and medical perspective to prepare for the next terrorist attack on the United States.

A schedule of events for the session follows this news release. For more information, contact Tim Wiedrich at 701.328.4520.

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2004 Terrorism Informational Session

Monday, May 17, 2004

Pier 7

Seven Seas Inn & Convention Center

Mandan, North Dakota

AGENDA

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Thinking Like a Terrorist ... Terrorism Since 9/11

Steve Hightower, Weapons of Mass Destruction/

Incident Management Training Program

Supervisor – Texas A & M University

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Bioterrorism Threats in North Dakota

Tim Wiedrich, Section Chief, Emergency Preparedness & Response, North Dakota Department of Health